

PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on September 21, 2007, in which all pending claims 1-11 were subject to restriction. In particular, the position was taken that the application includes claims directed to two distinct inventions. Group I, claims 1-9 and 11 are drawn to a device, while Group II, claim 10 is drawn to a method.

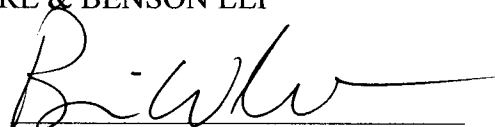
By this response, the Applicant elects to prosecute Group I, claims 1-9 and 11, in this application. This election is made without traverse.

Examination of the application is requested. No fee is believed to be necessary in connection with this response. Should an extension of time, or any fee be required, the applicant requests that this action be undertaken and our Deposit Account No. 06-0029 be charged for the fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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